

TRANSMITTAL # 1

MEMORANDUM

June 20, 2002

TO: Workforce Development Council
FROM: Roger B. Madsen, Director
SUBJECT: Recertification of local *IdahoWorks* Boards

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of staff recommendations regarding recertification of local *IdahoWorks* Boards

BACKGROUND:

As you will recall, one of the major features in the state's implementation of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) in 1999 was the creation and certification of business-led local workforce investment boards, appointed by local elected officials. These boards serve as "boards of directors" for local workforce investment efforts, focusing on strategic planning, policy development and oversight of the local system. WIA requires that local boards be recertified by the Governor of each state every two years in accordance with the following criteria:

Local boards may be recertified when it is determined that:

- (A) the board meets composition requirements, as set forth in the Act and state policy;
- (B) appointments to the board made since original certification were based on proper nominations and meet other statutory requirements; and
- (C) the local board has ensured that workforce investment activities carried out in the local area have enabled the local area to meet local performance measures.

Guidelines for Recertification of local *IdahoWorks* Boards were transmitted to the Chief Local Elected Official of each workforce investment area in the state under the signature of Chair McGee in January. Applications from all six areas have been reviewed by state staff and local staff were notified of any issues that required resolution in order for the board to be recertified. State staff are reviewing responses to issues identified and will bring recommendations regarding recertification to the meeting.

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